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**Congresswoman Foxx Tours South Main Street Development Site
Chairman Sides Gives Blessing to Development**

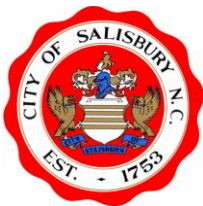
Salisbury_North Carolina_April 19 – Congresswoman Foxx visited Salisbury City Manager Doug Paris this morning after a meeting at the Rowan County Chamber of Commerce. Paris and Foxx toured the 300 Block of South Main Street. The City of Salisbury has launched a new initiative to redevelop the South Main Street corridor after completing over \$100M in downtown redevelopment in the central and north end of the downtown.

Momentum in the South Main Street corridor is building after Integro Technologies, a high-tech firm, announced in February that they would move their operation to the 300 block of South Main Street and build a \$4M facility, and further after the State of North Carolina gave the green light to develop the Central School Office within the same block.

Integro Technologies will employ 25 high-tech individuals in Salisbury by 2014 with an average wage of \$72,500. Integro plans to partner with the Rowan-Salisbury School System on their Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) program.

Integro's decision to locate in the 300 block of South Main Street was influenced by the community's decision to back investment for the new Central School Office.

This will be the first time in the City's history that an entire block face will be redeveloped at one time. This will also be the first time that the Rowan-Salisbury School System will have consolidated office since the two school systems merged in 1989.



Foxx, a supporter of downtown development, redeveloped a building in downtown Spruce Pine, and shared her experience with City Manager Doug Paris. Paris states, "We appreciate her visit and advice. It is always very special when a member of Congress takes the time to visit our community."

Also this morning, Chairman Jim Sides of the Rowan County Board of Commissioners choose not to participate with the project financially, but gave his blessing to the redevelopment of the 300 block of South Main Street in an email response to City and County officials. Sides stated, "We are all excited at the good news related to the downtown central office site being cleared for construction by NCDENR and wish the City of Salisbury and the Rowan-Salisbury School System our very best as they move forward with this project."

Paris states, "We are delighted at the momentum that is beginning to build on the South Main Street corridor. This is an exciting time for Salisbury."

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